

REMARKS

The application has been amended and is believed to be in condition for allowance.

Claims 1 and 3-20 are pending.

The pending claims have all been allowed.

The drawing figure illustrating the recitations of claim 11 was objected to. As discussed in a recent interview, Figure 4 has been amended to show the grating 30 extending over the entire area of a cross section of the line. This approach avoids disclosure of a specific perforation layout, which was the basis of the new matter rejection. Amended Figure 4 is believed to comply with 37 CFR 1.83(a) in regards to the recitations of claim 11. The amendment to Figure 4 eliminates the need for drawing Figure 6.

Applicants appreciate the Examiner's kind suggestion as to an acceptable drawing amendment.

Applicants believe that the present application is in condition for allowance and an early indication of the same is respectfully requested.

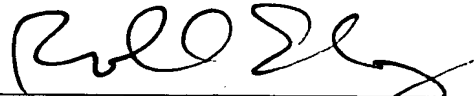
The Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 25-0120 for any

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additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37
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